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COLUMBIAN COLLEGE and GENERAL CONVENTION.

It is the design of the Trustees of the College and Managers of the General Convention to render the Institution at Washington a national benefit, as well as an object of general patronage. The course of study will be that of the most approved Colleges in our country, including the Latin and Greek Classics, Belles Lettres, the Philosophy of the Mind and the exact Sciences—and, indeed, whatever belongs to a complete University. A Preparatory School, a Medical Department, and a Law Department, are contemplated, and are about to be put into operation.



Reliance for resources is the liberality and enlightened community, arising from the subscriptions throughout the Union. Aid in this way has been recommend-

WILLIAM H. CRAWFORD, *Secretary of the Treasury,*
JOHN C. CALHOUN, *Secretary of War,*
WILLIAM WIRT, *Attorney General of the United States,*
RETURN J. MEIGS, *Post Master General,*
JOSIAH MEIGS, *Commissioner of the General Land Office,*
SAMUEL N. SMALLWOOD, *Mayor of the City of Washington,*
JOHN PETER, *Mayor of the City of Georgetown,*
CHRISTOPHER NEALE, *Mayor of the City of Alexandria.*

The "BOSTON PATRIOT" kindly observes, that "the establishment of a College at the seat of Government was a favourite object with our Washington, as well as with other distinguished men of our country. The effort having now been made by the enterprise of individuals, their appeals to the favour of the public deserve at least a favourable hearing. Should success crown their efforts, the benefit, which our whole country will derive, will be great and important. An institution for literary instruction at Washington, bringing together young men from the various quarters of our wide extended country, to meet as it were *on neutral ground*, removed from all their *sectional* feelings and prejudices, and placed within the immediate sphere of the operations of our national government, where they will learn both to love and ad-

mire the simplicity and regularity of its movements ; *an institution so situated will have a highly important and beneficial effect upon the stability of our union. It will be the source from which streams of mutual good will and brotherly love will flow through our happy land.*"

The Rev. Messrs. PORTER, WOODS and STUART, Professors of the Theological Seminary at Andover, Massachusetts, have each pleased to say, that they "have considered the establishment of the Columbian College in the District of Columbia, as an event of great importance and likely to be of extensive and lasting benefit to the best interests of man."

The present beloved Chief Magistrate, JAMES MONROE, President of the United States, has been pleased to say, that "*there is good reason to believe that the hopes of those who have so long contributed to advance it to its present position will not be disappointed,*"—and that "*this institution, if it receives hereafter the proper encouragement, CANNOT FAIL TO BE EMINENTLY USEFUL TO THE NATION.*"

In order that the charge for tuition may be moderate, and that charity students may be instructed gratis, it is intended to endow the *Presidency* of the College. The following plan is proposed for this purpose.

Obtain four thousand subscriptions, each \$ 10, payable in hand, or when convenient, or when two thousand subscribers shall have been procured.

College Hill, District of Columbia, }
December, 1821.

